

Sr. These with my Service to you and your wife and Prisilah, this servest to lett you know of my said misfortune that after Penn weeks passage at sea, on the first of January wee arrived near the Coast of Spaine in Greshiah, and at that time our ship sprung a leake and we were forced to leave her, and betake our selves to our Long boat, which in a little time proved soe leaky that four men could hardly keepe her free, but the next day stopt a great many Leakes and in forty eight hours, wee gott to the shoar, having saved not Cloaths nor shooe to my feet but our writing Truncks, were we wereourselye entertained by the Spaniards, and after some stay, wee gott to a place, where some English ships and merchants were, and after three or four weeks stay, the wind proved fair to carry us whome, but when wee came on our Coast the wind took us short, and put us to a place in Ireland called Baltimore, where wee now haue this opportunity to write to you about my busines, to desire you to be mindfull, and to gett what Tobacco you can, or Bills of Exchange on good men and as for my Brigantien use your owne Discretion to Lett her or sell her at two hundred Pounds Sterling, or Two hundred and fifty, and you shall hear further by the fist opportunity when I gett ~~ashome~~ the wind is now fair for us, this has been a very bad year for shiping, here is acc^t of above two hundred saile cast away on our Coast, and the Coast of France and Flanders, wh^t is all onely my Service to you, and your wife & Prisilah and all the family, Rest yours, my Service to Cap^t Gerard and his wife, and all in Generall whilst I am

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my Service to Cap^t Warring and his wife, I haue writt to him to assist you and I hope you will doe the like to him if occasion be

I intend in by the first shipp next yeat year, if not ^{I sent you} I shall write by them

These

M^r Richard Cloud
Living in Wicomico River
in Potowmuck in Maryland present

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January 1687

This Indenture made the fifth Day of December A^o 1688
Between Henry Denton of St. Maries County in the Province of Maryland Gent of the one part, and James Chisholm of the said County & Province Cooper of the other pt, witnesseth that the said Henry Denton for and Consideration of Eight Thousand Pounds of Tobacco to him in hand paid before the Ensealing and delivering of these Presents, by the said James Chisholm well and truly paid the Receipt whereof he the said Henry Denton doth hereby acknowledge, and himself therewith fully satisfied Contented and paid thereof and of every part and pell thereof